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Erwin BRANDT - Summary of references

REF: MIRA-9277, MIRA-9329

1. Our files contain the following traces on Subject:

a) A CSNDIC - BACH interrogation report of Otto PROCHNOW dated 12 April 1946 lists subject as an official of Abt IV A 1a of the RSHA. (Note: PROCHNOW reports that Abt A 1a was the specialist referat in IV A concerned with Left-wing opposition, Marxian, SPD, etc.) PROCHNOW describes him as a very able official, in personal contact with the chief of Abt IV. Personal description: age 48, height about 1.70 m, medium fair hair, and pointed nose.

b) A USNDIC interrogation report of Anton EDER, dated 11 December 1945 reports on the activities and personalities of EDS Valdes, a part of the German administration in Slovenia. Source was with EDS Valdes from 1941 through 1943. Source listed BRANDT with other members of Section IV News Service. He was unable to provide details concerning the activities of that office since it worked independently. He reported, however, that it used "experts on particular matters". He says about BRANDT: "SS Hauptsturmfuehrer, Kriminalrat, and in command of this News Service. He later led engagements and reconnaissance patrols. He was a Reichs German, Party member, SS leader, and at one time allegedly active in Berlin. After a brief period he came to the Headquarters of General ROSENBERG, and after a disagreement, returned to Berlin. Here he was active with the Reich Security Head Office. He was quite rigorous in his dealings."

2. We assume that MHR-2483, dated 5 February 1948, and MHR-W-646 (forwarding Dr. Kemper's interrogation of BRANDT in August 1947) are available to you.

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